258 ARE DEAD

Only Ninety-Six Left of Maine's Crew.

DISASTER YET A MYSTERY.

An Investigation and Employment of Divers Ordered.

SPAIN HAS EXPRESSED H. R REGRETS

Naval Officers Divided as to the Cause of

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THEORIES AS TO CAUSE,

A Maine Officer Says a Short Circuit Dyba-

Feb. 16.-Captain Sigabec the Associated Press, with



CAPTAIN SIGSBEEL

and cannot consciontionally unticipate the decision nor do I wish to make any unjust estimate of the reason of the dis-

REY WEST, FLA., Feb. 16.-11 is stated

here that the United States buttleship Maine had hard coal on board and that therefore the theory that the disaster was caused by spontaneous combustion

is not tenally.

ROSTON, Feb. 16.--Rear-Admiral Geo.

Pelknap. United States Navy, refired,
unid te-day that he was inclined to think that the Mains was blown up by a tor-

SPAIN EXPRESSES REGEETS.

A Representative of the Covernment Informs Woodford of Action T. ken. MADRID. Feorgary 16 .- The following

semi-official note has been issued: "The news of the disaster of the Maine has caused a painful impression in Madrid, It was at first feared that there had been some act of imprudence to which the

of the arsenal, the sailors of the crew of the cruiser Alfonso XII., the crews of the

The government has expressed to Min-tener Woodford the regret it feels at the entagtrophe, more expecially as it ocurred in waters within Spanish jurisdie

An admiral in full uniform, in the name of the Minister of Marine and the entire Spanish Cabinet colled on Ceneral Wood-ford to-day and informed him that the government had telegraphed to the authorities in Cuba to do their utmost to relieve the distress of the injured and to couch to the officers and crow of the

All the members of the Cabinet and of the Dinionatte Corre left cards at the American legation to-day.

El Dia expresses sorrow for the dis-

aster which it describes as a "Very pain-

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16-After a day the destruction of the Eatlieship Maint in Flavana barbor last night, the situa-tion to-night after the exchange of a yet reported to the Navy Department on the cause. He is evidently waiting to write a full report. So long as he does

CONGRESS CONSERVATIVE

the light of which the horror may be struction of the Maine. There are to great number of theories, but most of them are of a character that makes it

AN INVESTIGATION. cause of the explosion, the opinion of the majority is that the question will be easily settled by the simple observation of the condition of the ship hull plates in the neighborhood of the hole which sunk har, whether or not they are hulded out as would be the case if the explosion came from inside, or whether they were driven in, as would result from the attack of a tempto of the explosion of a mine beneath the ship.

The large majority of naval officers are inclined to the belief that the explosion resulted from econtaneous combus-tion of a coal bunker; the overheating of the iron partitions between the boil-ers and the magazine or from the explosion of a belier, though the last theory finds little support. The liets of survivors that came to the

The lists of survivors that came to the Navy Department this afternoon in answer to telegrams, was inoccurate and made out the loss of life, eight more than the summary originally given by Captain Sigshee in an earlier telegram, so Secretary Long telegraphed for another corrected list, and also one that should show who were and who were not wounded of the survivors.

It was found necessary to do this.

It was found necessary to do this, owing to the great number of pitiful ap-peals for information as to the safety of some unfortunate on the Moine that

catafroohe was a cributatic. Afterwarm, as the details arrived the fears dispelled took the form of feelings of sympathy and scrow for the misfortune which has occurred.

The Canain-General, the commandant of the arsunal, the sallers of the commandant of the arsunal, the sallers of the crew of the context of the commandant of the arsunal that sallers are the first others as large here been raised and at the crease of the crease of the commandant of the arsunal that the crease of the commandant of the arsunal that commandant of the arsunal constructors are the details arrived the fears that the manual constructors on the light of the manual constructors on the light that came from all parts of the country.

The naval constructors on the light of the manual constructors on the light of the dispatches that for the manual constructors on the light of the manual constructors on the light of the manual constructors on the light of the manual constructors. Havens the new floating dry dock would receive her if she could once be gotten Captain Simbes is evidently taking an

Contain Simbee is evidently taking an interest in the future of the shin for he sent a telegram to Commander Forsythe, at Key West, that was promotive transmitted to Secretary Long, suggesting that a light-house versel or some such small craft be stationed in Havana harbor to watch over the wreck.

The latter, even if hevond resurrection,

property that doubtless can be seened by divers.
It is said at the Navy Department that

this dissier is the Kreatest of the kind in navel history since the sinking of the hig British warship Victoria, by collision with the Camperdown, in the Mediterra-

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JUEGE BLACKSTONE CHOSEN.

He is Nominated for Judge of the lighth Jud.cial Circuit.

OVER SENAT R MAYLY H. BARNES.

Assembly Determines That Contest After a Very Dignified Fight-The Nominating Speeches - the Vote,



over that efreuit. I soon came to the

iaw from the University of Virginia.

Of him the late Professor John B.
Minor unid, that he had never known a young man who possessed a finer leval mind. My acquaintance with Judge Biangstone was formed during one session of the General Assembly, when I was in this House and he served on the other side of the haif, but I have since learned that he has but few equals and no superiors.

'After graduating from the University vominarity retired to private life, but was shortly afterwards called upon to succeed the late Judge Gliett as judge of the County Court of Accomac county, he possesses every requisite, requirement and capacity for the position which I am anxious for the General Assembly to bestow upon him, and of his judicial qualifications a Tebb, a Segar, a Hubbard and a marker of a state form arread in the highest terms. If elected, his nothry and learning will be even to that of any man. I have in my possession pelitions signed by the inwvers of the Accomma and Northamp-ton bar, and in part of the bar of Elizateth City county and five out of the six Executive Committees are endersing him."

FOR SENATOR BARNES. Mr. Thomas Temple Powell, of Newport News, then arose to prace in nonamation the name of Senator Manly H. Barnes. "I do not intend to detract in the

lenst, he said, 'from what has been stated about Judge Blackstone, but it is my good fortune to place in nomination the name or an equally distinguished lawyer, who has been endorsed by a Hubbard, a Elickford and a Segar, and I think it is very fortunate for us to have two such distinguished candidates.

"The county of Accomac is largely

Democratic, and out of a delegation of six in the General Assembly from that circuit, four have been advocating the circuit, four have been advocating the cause of Judge Blackstone. The population of Accomine and Northampion, the portion of the circuit on the east side of the bay is \$7.5%, while on the west side of the bay there are 51.3%. The assessed valuation of the property on this ade of the bay is \$3.5%, 6%, and that on the other side \$5.00.26%. The assessed valuation of the personal property on this side of the bay is \$3.5%, 6%, and on the other side \$1.50.25%.

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"For a number of years past Accomme has furplished the circuit judge, and I believe this time the western shore is entitled to the judgeship. We have six counties on this side against their two, and seven courts as alost their two. The Poapole platform endersed retremament and reform, and we can in no better manner live up to that principle than by

VIRGINIANS ON THE MAINE.

Thirteen are among the Missing Members of Her Crew.

THREE ARE FROM NORTH CAROLINA.

For the Maine are Still Aboard the Texas-List of the Saved. Comparison of the lists of men rescued

and the list of men on the Maine show BELL, JOHN R., Alexandria, Va. CAINE, THOMAS, Portsmouth, Va.

GURDON, JOSEPH F., Portsmouth,

COLEMAN, WILLIAM, Petersburg

LAMBERT, WILLIAM, Hampton, Va. LANCASTER, LUTHER, Fredericks-

LEWIS, DANIEL, Albemarie, Va. LONDEN, JAMES W., New Kent, VA. MOURE, EDWARD H., Charles City,

PANCE, JOHN H., Lynchburg, Va. SIMMONS, ALFRED, Petersburg, Va. SMITH, NICHOLAS J., Lynchburg, Va. WHITEN, GEORGE M., Middleburg,

FINCH, TRUBIC, Baleigh, N. C. MOSS, JOHN H., Oxford, N. C. WARREN, JOHN, Randolph, N. C.

ALLEN, JAMES W., Portsmouth, Va. ANDERSON, CHARLES, Nortolk, Va. HARRIS, WESTMORE, Charles City, HUTCHINGS, ROBERT, NORFOLK,

WHITE, ROBERT, Portsmouth, Va. WILLIAMS, HENRY, Edgaleth City

THE DEAD NUMBER 258,

Only Ninety-Six of the Maine's Crew Es

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16 .- Captain Sigsbee has reported in answer to a cable message of inquiry that the follow-

eiville, Willis, Galpin, Kushida. Turpin, Haris, Lutty, Jertson, Herbert, McDavitt, Foley, n, Schwartz, Richards, Teackie, A. Jernee, Smith, Shea, J. Herness, efficin, Bloomer, Johnson, Bergman, Mattison, Johnston, Pilcher, Holtzer, ffus, W. McGinnis, Matissen, Furnss, sode, Darkins, Rau, McNair, A. Gab-lle, Hellon, A. Senetch, Knese, Benjs-

Itate to-night the folowing dispatch from Captain Sigstee, at havana, and dressed to Secretary Long was received:

"All men whose names have not been sent as saved probably lost.

"Bodies are still floating ashore. I keep nine officers, one private and Gunner's Mats Bullock here with me."

A dispatch from Captain Philip, of the Pexas, now at Galvesion, states that the drafts of twenty-one apprentices which they carried from New York for the Maine are still on board the Taxas. Virg mans on the Ma ne.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 16.—The Navy Department this evening compiled and gave out a full list of the men on the Maine, with the place of birth, for the purpose of local identification.

The list concains the following:
James W. Allen, Portmouth, Va.
Charles Anderson, Norfelk, Va.
John R. Bell, Alexandria, Va.
Thomas Caine, Portsmouth, Va.
William Coleman, Petersburg, Va.
Truble Finch, Ra eigh, N. C.
Joseph F. Gordon, Portsmouth, Va.
Westmore Harris, Charles City, Va.
Robert, Hutchings, Norfolk, Va.
William Lambert, Hammton, Va.
Lather Lambert, Hammton, Va.
Lather Lancaster, Fredericksburg, Va.
Daniel Lewis, Albemarie, Va.
Lohn H. Moes, Oxford, N. C.
John H. Moes, Oxford, N. C.
John H. Panck, Lynchburg, Va.
Alfred Simmons, Petersburg, Va.
Nicholas J. Smith, Lynchburg, Va.

SENATOR MANLY H. BARNES.

shore, then the people of Accomac and Northampton would be at a very great disadvantage. The city of Newport News is well provided with courts and the people of the circuit on the western shore could in a case of necessity either so to the cornoration court of Newport News or to the city of Richmond for the securing of writs. The nearest one however, for them would be the court of Newport News or to them would be the court of Newport News. It has been the unanthous testimony of the county of Accomac, that by his executive qualities Judge Blackstone has larrely reduced the expenses, has cleared the dockets and brought additional lustre to the court that had already instre. while the face Judge Gillett presided over it."

SPEAKING FOR A NEIGHBOR.

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Senator B. B. Munford, of this city, said: "One of the candidates is my neighbor and us long as representatives from other sections of the State have been drawn into this discussion. I would like to

drawn into this discussion. I would like to say a few words. At any rate we will have an excellent judge, no matter who shall be selected. While a majority of the representatives of the circuit are for Judge Blackstone, yet Senator Barnes is squally as capable. For fourteen years this judge ship has been held on the other side of the hay and some recognition should therefore be given this time to the western shore. I heartily endorse the nomination of Senator Barnes."

This ended the discussion and the balloting was then proceeded with and it resulted in the nomination of Judge Blackstone.

Blackstone When the name of Mr. William G.

when the name of air, within G. Williams had been reached, Mr. Powell, of Newport News, moved that the nomination of Judge Blackstone be made unanimous, which was acreed to. The vote as far as it went was 53 for Blackstone

THE VOTE.

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For Biackstone: Messrs, Allen, Barley, Parksuaie, Eauserman, Blakey, George C. Biand, Boaz, Booler, Boykin, Browning, Thomas J. (ampbell, Cooke, Craig, Duke, Early, Embrey, Fairfax, Fitzpatrick, Flood, Poster, Galleher, Garnett, Hicks, Jackson, Jones, Le Cato, Matthews, Whitam Heary Mann, Mason, Maynard, Montague, Morris, Murphy, Mushtach, Palmer, Passmore, Pilcher, Ryan, Sayers, Settle, Charles Smith, J. P. Smith, Steele, Slubbs, Thomas, Tuganut, C. Harding Walker, Watkins, Welf-

W. G. Williams—53.

For Barnes: Messrs. Anderson. Blakemore. Chaplin. Churchman. Clement.
Diggs. Elawick, Hale. Hartley. Hatcher.
C. H. Jennings. Kana, Kizer, Massie.

W. G. Williams-53.

and 39 for Barnes. It was as follows:

A FLOATING TORPEDO?

Captain Sigshee raid to Have Expressed Sensational liel efs to Headquarters.

KEY WEST, FLA., Fob. 16 .- The cor-

The Plant Liner Steamer Olivette did not leave Havana until 3 o'clock this af-

SAILORS IN TORTURE, The Sufferers Bear | heir lejuries as Heroes Do

NEW YORK, Feb. 16.-A special cable to the Evening World from Havana,

he maine sitency, enduring the torture caused by powder-skinned faces and ary Hospital at San Ambrosio here. The

All the injured men show great grit. The heavy rainfall walen immediately ollowed last night's horror stil continue n a dreary, dismal drizzle.

THE WRECK. the Mame is shightly listed to port, and il forward of the massive cranes or unloading ship's boats have ompletely gisappeared. The his unnels lie dat upon the twisten nd gnarled from braces and pieces of teel deck. From the funnels aft the interest she has set-

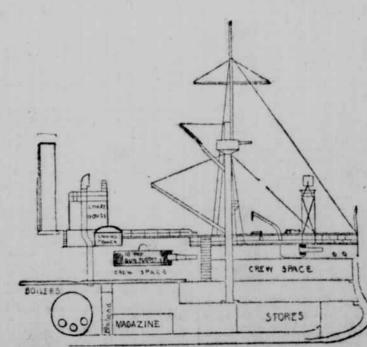
CARE OF THE INJURED.

KEY WEST, PLA., Feb. 19.-Forty

Distriction now now bore from Washington and research to Admiral Sicard, his landal Porceth has no way to send hem. The Creating the Ericeson, the large and the Mayuroye have heen sent in duty to day and the Pache is with the leet at the Toringas.

on diffy forders in the control of the first reference of from the Torthoga. She had carried dispatches to Admiral Stears and brought hask his realy for Washington. She will return timediately to the flest with large Washington Is served for the Admiral. These were not aboved here so that no line is known of those cortens but it is thought taken to keep that will come to keep west with one ship to care for the survivors and that the rest of the flest will remain at the Torthogas ordered, from Washington

SECTIONAL EOW PLAN OF MAINE.



The forward manazine is shown under the ten-inch gun theret. The Maine had three magazines. The one forward was used for the elemge of ammunition for the big ten-net furrel guas. There were agity rounds is has ammunited, well hing 15,000 pound. So large was this quantity of expects that the naval officers here can scarcely believe it was possible for any himman being on board the Maine to have escaped alive had this magazine exploded entirely. There was no smokeless powder on board the ship, and the con-inch ammunition, was made up of brown prismatic powders. Not only it this powder most carefully packed in hermetically see es copper cases, but its hat-resisting qualities are so great that it cannot be ignited by the flame of a mater was degrees of Farenhoff being the amount of heat that must be applied to some time to set off the powder. On the other hand, it is readily ignited as in the case of the charge in a gun, by the ex-losion of a good quantity of fulminite.

DESTRUCTION OF THE MAINE

Fublic Opicion Sadd'es Spain With the Terrible Miship.

VIEWS OF CITIZENS ON THE SUBJECT

cident. The Strange Premountion of Rev. Dr. Vanderslice, the Well-

The fearful catastrophy in Havana harbor Tuesday night, which in the ttichmond yesterday, and while there were opinions of every variety as to how the destruction of the splendid ship was was the result of a Spanish plot

EASY TO BLOW HER UP. Mr. F. H. Garber, councilman from Monroe Ward, was has had extensive exalert. Knowing the powerful force of the explosive used in the construction of torpedoes, Mr. Garber said that he was

the concussion caused by the explosion of a torpedo by the said of the Maine would have been sufficient to cause the immense quantity of gan powder stored

sure one would have been sufficient to

would not have been sufficient to wreck, theyessel.

He thought it highly improbable that

the explosion could have occurred from any inside cause, as the discipline and regulation on a man-of-war are of the strictent character, and the magazines strictest character, and the same straight closed at sunset, locked and sealed.

Nearly every one who spoke on the ambject was firmly convinced that the explosion was due to outside causes, at-

sedoes having been exploded under the Captain J. B. Baylor, of the Geodetic

Coast Survey, was in Richmond for a short time last night. He is intimately accomminted with Captain Simbee, of the A MINISTER'S PREMONITION.
One of the most singular incidents in connection with the affair is that several days are Dr. George C. Vanderslice, paster of Union-Station Methodist church had a premonition that the Maire would never leave they appearance. He men-

ty interest among bankers and brokers vester av, but it is thought that the depression will be only temporary.

tenve Havana narbor. He men-

MISS GOI DIN WEDS.

in Washington.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 16 .- Special,-Mr. J, H Duggins and Miss Claudia Blair Goddin came to Washington from Richmond, Va. on the late train last night, and were married quietly by Rev. R. P. Williams, rector of Trinity Episco-

The bridal couple left to-night for New Orleans to attend the Mardi Gras festivities. Mr. Duggins is a well-known and enterprising young business man, and is one of the most successful Southern avents of the Southern Manufacturing Company, of Bichmond, Va. The bride is the rhagning daughter of Mr. Charles W. Goddin.

Mr. Duggins telegraphed to the bride's parents, aumouncing the fact of the marriage immediately after the ceremony took place. A few averagletaness, who hammened to be in Weshington, called upon the bride and error at the Na.

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PETPPSPIER VA. Feb. 16.—Special.
The residence of Dr. Hugh Stockfell, on
the countrol Fiducial and Adams a rests,
was the scene of a pritty home wedding
the aftermon, when Miss Mary Brung
Hotertson, onughter of the late James B.
Robertson, of Petersburg, became the
bride of Mr. Alan Gles Burrow, a prominent young lawyer of Norfolk. R. v. T.
J. Wilson, a former paster of St. Jaseph's Catholic church, in this city officlated. The wedding march was rendered
by Miss Annic Stallard. The brice, in a
becoming sut of braided bine broaddish,
with hat and gloves to match, and carrying a large bouquet of roses, was accompanid by her brober, Mr. William W.
Robertson, of Norfolk. The groom was
attended by his hrother. Mr. Deveroux
Burrow, as best man. The lovely little
flower girls were Misses Lula Ragiand
and Jennie Cutrbert, in white organic
acq pink carnations. Only relatives and
lutimate friends were present.

Among those in a teniance upon the
marriage were Mrs. Burrow, of Norfolk,
mother of the groom: Mrs. H. P. Harrison, of Norfolk, Mrs. Filis Me. Treiger Currow, and Mr. Withers Robertson,
of Norfolk, The couple left on an extended brifal lawr North.

A Bankeneter B 1.

WASHINGTON, Peb. 15.—In the House to-day the sneakers on the bankron'dy bil were: In favor of the measure—Messra Henderson (Rep., Iowa), Landam (Dem., Tas), and Furke (Dem., Tax), in opposition to tt—Mesra Underwood (Dem., Ala), Bell (Pep., C.1), Heavy (Dem., Texes), McRae (D.m., Ark), and Cochran (Dem., Mo.). At 5.03 P. M. the House adjourned.

WASHINGTON. Feb. 15 .- Porecast for Thursday: Virginia-Pair, not so cold Thursday

evening or night: variable winds, becom-ing southeasterly.

North Caronna-Fair, continued low temperature; northerly winds becoming BANK SPRING MR. SE

the following was the range of the thermometer at the Times office yesterday; 0 A. M., 38; 12 M., 38; 3 P. M., 38; 6 P. M., 38; 0 P. M., 39; midnight, 38; Average, 34 2 3.